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Summary Report from working meetings at :

- **Ministry of economy**
- **Slovak agency of energetic informatics**
- **State inspection of energy**
- **Ministry of environment**
- **Commerce inspection**

According to the programme we have met the representatives of the following state institutions:

- **Ministry of economy**

20. 8. 07, 3.9.07, 10.9.07, 13.9.07, 25.9.07

participants: Mr. Marian Naniaš, Director-General of Energy Section and Mr. Ján Magyar

- **Slovak energy and information agency**

3.9.07, 22.10. 07, 12.11.07, 3.12.07

participants: Antalová Katarína and Vladimír Fábry, division of communication

- **State Energy Inspection**

12.9.07, 26.9. 07, 21.11. 07

participant: Marián Fridrich, Director of County Inspectorate in Trnava

- **Ministry of environment**

4.9.07, 8.10.07, 21.11. 07

participants: Ľudovít Žiak, Manager of Air Protection Department; Helena Princová, Air protection office administrator and Marián Supek, General Director of Water and Energy Sources Division

- **Slovak Trade Inspection**

4.9. 07, 8.10.07

participants: Anna Milková, Department of Technical Control Methodology and Rozalia Aranyosyova, Consumer Protection Department

- The meeting at **The Ministry of Economy** took place as first in our project (20.8.2007). After presentation of our intention to Director-General of Energy Section Mr. Marian

Nanias and Mr. Magyar and after explanation of main goals of the whole project we have gained support from the Ministry of Economy in the form of supporting letter and further cooperation as well.

- The meeting with **Slovak energy and information agency** informatics took place on following dates : 3.9.07, 22.10. 07, 12.11.07, 3.12.07 with Mrs. Ing. Antal. The aim of SIEA is:

- to develop the expert opinions and materials with purpose to improve a decision making in the Ministry, to support the licensing process of energy-related businesses, to determinate of energy purchaser and execution of state regulation in energy sector as:

- reviews and verification creating of the completeness and correctness by the applicant's data in the application for a license to do business in energy sector, compliance with technical and material prerequisites to perform the business activity in question and correctness of the data submitted to the state regulatory authority,
- assesses the potential for the purchase of energy and a size of assigned area,
- assesses the energy efficiency of investments and rationalization projects in energy sector in terms of their compliance with the national energy policy.

- The visit of the **State Inspection of Energy** took part on following days : 12.9.07, 26.9. 07, 21.11. 07 with Marián Fridrich. The Inspection is the organ of the state administration under the Ministry of Economy of Slovak republic and it is divided into State Inspection of Energy in Trenčín and regional supervising organisations of State inspection of energy.

The general director manages the inspection and is responsible for its activity, which is named and recalled with the head of service ministry office on the base of interview results according to the specific directive.

- The meeting at **Ministry of environment** took part with Mrs. Princová and Mr. Žiak. The energy labeling issue was evaluated from environment impact point of view with focus on CO2 emission situation in Slovak republic

- **Slovak Trade Inspection** (the legislative has set the activity of cooperation and mutual information exchange between control organisations at internal market in compliance with the Manual of European commission on directive implementation based on new attitude also global one, as well as the cooperation with public administration organisations and cooperation based on consumer protection). We had couple of meetings at Slovak Trade

Inspection within September and October 2007 ((4.9.07, 8.10.07).

On the above mentioned meetings the problematic of energy efficiency and energy labelling connected with legislative measurements was discussed.

The purpose of mentioned state institutions is to work on the standard and EU politics implementation in the area of electric appliances labelling.

The laws of SR regulating the problematic:

- 1 Washing machines (law 178/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 13. March 2002)
- 2 Tumble dryers (law 193/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 13.March 2002)
- 3 Combined washer-dryers (law 210/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 13. March 2002)
- 4 Refrigerators, freezers and their combinations (law 199/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 16.June 2004 changes and completes the previous act N.199/2002 of statute)
- 5 Dishwashers (law 211/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 13.March 2002)
- 6 Electric ovens (law 229/2003 of statute, Government act of SR from 11. June 2003)
- 7 Household lamps (law 188/2002 of statut, Government act of SR from 5. June 2003)
- 8 Air-conditioning units (law 231/2002 of statute, Government act of SR from 5.June 2003)

The conclusions after the discussion on the before mentioned meetings:

Point 1.

We have asked for the opinion on the negatives of the energy labelling process in Slovakia with each representative:

The barriers mentioned by the representatives of all named institutions and also in our questionnaire are following:

- 1 Deficient central administration and control system of electric appliances labelling, non-existing specific institution with the task of labelling process, implementation of the legislative changes, central control system of energy labelling
- 2 Non-efficient monitoring of the situation of actual state in the area of electric

appliances labelling, the relevant survey did not take part

- 3 There are minuses by the inspection – missing training of inspectors in the energy labelling area on the real market, slow remove of found problems, non-existing document system for the communication between inspection and electric appliances producers
- 4 Low level of labelling in the shops (labelling on not visible places), lack of information on problematic by the sellers dealing energy labelling
- 5 The space to control improvement by the division of el. appliances to the specific class and control of correct submission by distributor,
- 6 Lack of training programmes informing and presenting the steps of energy labelling, legislative following and effective use of electric appliances
- 7 A slowly adaptation to the process of legislative changes especially by small producers, as well as sellers
- 8 Low level of advertising and propagation
- 9 Not enough of information in media
- 10 Low awareness of energy efficiency importance and energy labelling
- 11 Missing campaigns
- 12 Non- existing and missing labelling of appliances by the selling per internet and catalogue

Point 2

Corrective Measures suggested by the participant from our meetings and their suggestions for improvement:

1. Centrally agreed and harmonized supervision plan for of electric appliances market
2. Implementation of central supervision system of electric appliances labeling
3. Creation of working manuals and further supporting documents for inspectors' work
4. Implementation of central compulsory specialized inspectors' education & training
5. Implementation of retailers system for checking report creating

6. Increasing of public interest and understanding of whole energy concept by providing higher information quality and by media engagement

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